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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is submitted in response to a non-final fourth office action in the above case dated December 26, 2007 (“Fourth Office Action”) in which the Examiner rejected certain claims as directed to non-statutory subject matter and rejected all the claims as anticipated (35 U.S.C. §102) or obvious (35 U.S.C. §103) over cited art. On March 25, 2008, the Examiners and attorney for Applicants discussed the rejections, and no agreement was reached. Applicants traverse the prior art rejections for the reasons discussed herein. Applicants canceled claims 7, 16, and 29 and added claims 32, 33, and 34. Applicants submit that all pending claims 1-6, 8-15, 17-28, and 30-34 are patentable over the cited art and in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9.